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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 6 with the amended paragraph below.

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of, and claims priority to [.] U.S. Patent No. 6,765,922, filed on September 27, 2000 and issued on July 20, 2004 (pending application serial number 09/671,938, filed September 27, 2000, U.S. Patent No. 6,765,992 is incorporated by reference herein as if reproduced in full below.